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### Iraqi Police graduate 177 from advanced training courses

BAGHDAD, Iraq – The Iraqi Police Service graduated 177 police officers from advanced and specialty courses at the Adnan Training Facility July 21, as part of the Iraqi government's ongoing effort to train its security forces.

The courses consist of Basic Criminal Investigations with 48 graduates, First Line Supervision with 30 graduates, Counter Terrorism Investigations with 41 graduates, Violent Crime Investigation with 30 graduates, and Interview and Interrogation with 28 graduates.

The Basic Criminal Investigation course covers topics such as theft, burglary, arson, robbery, sexual offenses, and homicide investigation. Participants also receive instruction and hands-on training in fingerprinting, photography, tool marks and plaster casting techniques. To date, 2,145 police officers have completed the Basic Criminal Investigations course.

First Line Supervision focuses on major leadership areas for front line supervisors including human rights training, ethics and corruption, policing in a democracy, and interpersonal skills critical to effective leadership. To date, 448 students have graduated from this course.

Counter Terrorism Investigations is designed for senior police officials who will be assigned to counter-terrorist activity investigation. The course will explain the FBI's and various branches in the US Justice Department's efforts against terrorism activities both in the US and abroad. This course has graduated 195 police officers to date.

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The Violent Crime Investigation course introduces participants to investigative techniques to be used in a variety of situations, but particularly in violent crimes including armed robbery, rape and murder. This course has graduated 475 students to date.

The Interview and Interrogation course covers advanced interview and interrogation techniques and includes instruction on the preservation and protection of human rights, and the importance of ethical behavior during interviews and interrogations. To date, 498 students have completed this course.

Officers who participated in these courses previously completed either a 10-week basic training course for new recruits or a three-week 'transitional integration program' course designed for prior-service officers.

The police officers report back for continued duty at their respective stations immediately.

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